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**Attachments:** NWIFC Grant Audit Notification Letter - 5.13.16.pdf

Peter and Team,

FYI. Here is the 2<sup>nd</sup> email from OIG about the Grant Audit.

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**Subject:** OIG Project Notification: Audit of NWIFC Puget Sound Protection and Restoration Implementation Grant Nos. PA00J32201 and PA00J91201

Dear Mr. McLerran,

We plan to begin preliminary research on the audit of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission (NWIFC) Puget Sound protection and restoration implementation grant nos. PA00J32201 and PA00J91201 (OIG Project No. OA-FY16-0176). Our overall objective is to determine whether the costs claimed under the grants are reasonable, allowable and allocable in accordance with the applicable laws, regulations, and grant terms and conditions.

For the preliminary research phase of the audit, we will gather information needed to determine whether further work is warranted. The OIG plans to conduct its work at Region 10 and the office of the NWIFC in Olympia, Washington. We will interview grant award and program oversight officials in Region 10, and review grant files. At NWIFC, we will conduct an audit of the costs claimed under the grant award, including compliance with grant terms and conditions. We will be issuing a separate notification letter to NWIFC advising them of the audit.

The audit will be conducted concurrently with the *Congressionally Requested Audit of Improper Funding of Advocacy Campaign for Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission Puget Sound Protection and Restoration Implementation Grant No. PA00J32201*, Project No. OA-FY16-0178. The attached memorandum provides additional information on this project.

Darren Schorer is the auditor-in-charge of the project. Darren will contact the audit coordinator early next week to arrange a mutually agreeable time to discuss our objectives and the purpose of the preliminary research phase of this assignment. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact John Trefry, Director, at (202) 566-2474 or myself.

Respectfully,

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